



## NEWS FROM THE 1st DISTRICT

Dear Friends,

Yesterday, Senate Republicans finally revealed their healthcare repeal bill. Like the House bill I vehemently opposed, it would kick millions off their coverage, charge older Americans more, and leave people who have pre-existing conditions without coverage for the care they need.

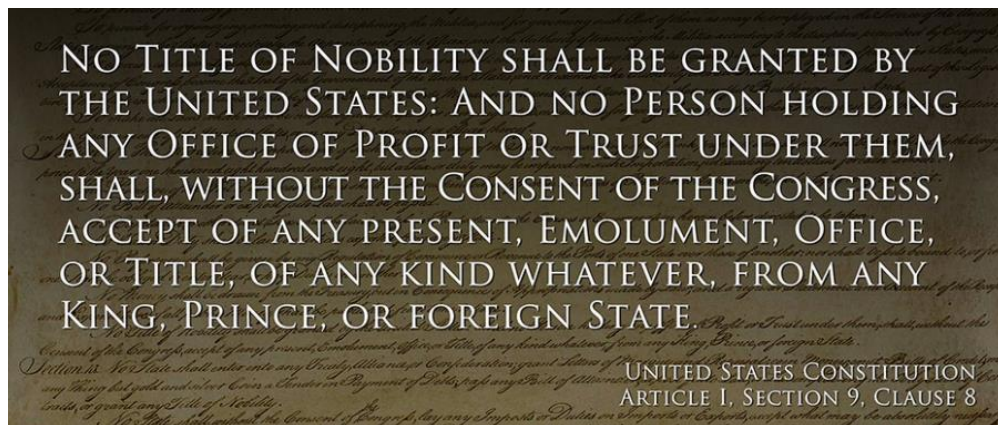
The bill doesn't stop at repealing the Affordable Care Act – it also ends Medicaid expansion and drastically reduces funding for Medicaid. Ending Medicaid as we know it would set our state back in the fight against the heroin, fentanyl, and prescription opioid crisis and put millions of kids, seniors in nursing homes, and people with disabilities at risk of losing their care.

Senate Republicans know the majority of Americans oppose their plan, so they wrote it in secret sessions and are now trying to rush it to a vote next week. Every person in New Hampshire who gets health coverage through the individual market, Medicaid, or the New Hampshire Health Protection Program will be affected by this bill if it passes. Even people with coverage through their employer aren't protected because states could strip back requirements that plans cover essential benefits like hospitalization, prescription drugs, or maternity care.

Over the coming days, we must all speak out and make our voices heard.

### **Holding the President accountable on foreign financial interests**

This week, I joined 195 Members of Congress in announcing we have filed a federal lawsuit against President Trump for violating one of the Constitution's critical anti-corruption provisions: the Foreign Emoluments Clause.



The American people should have total confidence that the President is serving their interests. President Trump's refusal to disclose his foreign financial interests is a brazen violation of the Constitution, and a danger to our democratic system. That is why I am demanding my Constitutional right as a Member of Congress to vote on whether President Trump may accept these foreign payments.

### **Confronting Alzheimer's disease**

Alzheimer's disease is a heartbreaking and growing crisis in New Hampshire, and we must act to address it. That's why I co-introduced two bills on World Alzheimer's Day. One, the Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Act, would support people with Alzheimer's and their families. The other bill, the Alzheimer's Research Semipostal Stamp Act, which would create another way to invest in research so we can find a cure.

### **Deterring Russia**

Russia's aggressive actions make clear the need for a comprehensive U.S. deterrence strategy. That's why this week I co-introduced the Fostering Unity Against Russian Aggression Act of 2017 together with 22 of my colleagues on the House Armed Services Committee. The bill proposes a comprehensive strategy to deter Russia, including reaffirmation of NATO's collective deterrence policy, Article 5. By passing this bill, Congress can forcefully reaffirm America's commitment to the NATO alliance and jumpstart needed improvements to our own and our allies' readiness to counter unconventional modes of aggression, including propaganda and cyberattacks.

You can read a full summary of the bill [here](#).

### **Building our economy with career and technical education**

Yesterday the House passed a bipartisan bill which I worked on as a member of the Education and Workforce Committee. It will strengthen career and technical education in New Hampshire and across the nation.

In New Hampshire, the Perkins Career and Technical Education program helps nearly 10,000 high school students and 20,000 post-secondary students gain the skills they need to succeed

in today's workforce. Our new reauthorization both strengthens this critical program and helps it adapt to the needs of the 21st century economy.

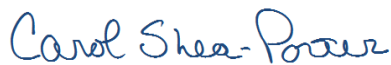
### **Protecting animals**

As someone who loves all creatures, great and small, I was heartbroken to learn this week that 84 Great Danes in Wolfeboro were being mistreated. I have cosponsored a number of bills, including H.R.1494, the Preventing Animal Cruelty and Torture Act, to try to stop terrible situations like the apparent puppy mill in Wolfeboro and to hold those who abuse animals accountable. I have always advocated for the humane treatment of animals, and am proud to have earned a 100% rating from the Humane Society during my time in Congress.

### **Closing thoughts**

This week, I was proud (but not surprised!) that the Department of the Interior [added](#) Portsmouth's historic downtown to the National Register of Historic Places. Congratulations to the City of Portsmouth on this much-deserved national recognition!

Best wishes,



Carol

### **This Week's Press Releases**

- [Shea-Porter Statement on House Passage of Perkins Career and Technical Education Reauthorization](#)
- [Shea-Porter Statement on Senate Republicans' Healthcare Repeal Bill](#)
- [Shea-Porter, 22 Armed Services Committee Democrats Introduce Bill to Boost Unity and Deterrence Against Russian Aggression](#)
- [Shea-Porter Co-Introduces Bipartisan Legislation to Confront the Challenges of Alzheimer's Disease](#)
- [Congresswoman Shea-Porter Co-Files Federal Lawsuit Challenging President Trump's Violation of Constitution's Anti-Corruption Clause](#)
- [The House Sustainable Energy and Environment Coalition \(SEEC\) Added Shea-Porter, Three Other Members in May](#)

### **In Case You Missed It**

- [Local Officials Walk in the Shoes of Dementia Sufferers](#)  
Eagle Tribune // Alison DeAngelis
- [Forest Service Grant Moves Page Pond Expansion Project Towards Completion](#)  
Laconia Daily Sun // Mike Mortensen



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